Spending on the healthcare in the country

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that while World spends USD 4.1 trillion on health, India spends only 5.2 per cent of its GDP as compared to 11 per cent by the OECD 16 per cent by the USA and 13 per cent by Sweden;

(b) what were the funds allocated for health care during 2007 and 2008; and

(c) what percentage increase has been affected during 2009 when the country faced deadly disease like H1N1 (Swine- Flu), where testing one positive case costs Rs. 10,000/-?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) According to World Health Statistics-2007 published by World Health Organisation (WHO), world spending on health is estimated to be US$ 4.1 trillion in 2004. The corresponding health expenditure as percentage of GDP in respect of India, USA, Sweden and Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in 2004 is given in the table below:

Country/Organization	Health Expenditure as % of GDP
India	5.0
USA	15.4
Sweden	9.1
OECD	11.0

Source: World Health Statistics-2007

(b) and (c) The Plan funds allocated for the health and family welfare programmes by the Union Government during 2007-08 to 2009-10 and the percentage increase in allocations over the previous year are given in the table below.

Table: Funds allocated (Plan) for Health, Family Welfare, AYUSH and Health Research Programmes

Years	Amount (Rs. in crore)	% increase
2007-08	14363.00	—
2008-09	16534.00	15.1
2009-10	19534.00	18.1

Additional funds have also been pooled from various sources like Contingent Fund of Govt. of India, WHO besides re-appropriation of funds within the Ministry, etc. to tackle disease like H1N1 (Swine-Flu) in 2009.